

HOUSE WILL TALK OVER INITIATIVE

Hatfield Bill Favored in Committee, Coming in Special Order Wednesday.

SENATE HALTS BETWEEN BILLS

Several Measures in Upper House and Choice Not Made.

PLANS FOR STATE INVESTMENT

Representative Potts Hopes to Bring Local Securities First.

APPROPRIATIONS TO HAVE CALL

Finance Committee Hastily Engaged Drafting Salaries Measure and Hopes to Have It Introduced at Early Date.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The initiative and referendum bill known as H. R. 1, which was introduced by Representative Hatfield of Lancaster county, will be, if passed, the most important act of the coming week for the legislature, unless some new situation should arise.

At the meeting of the committee on judiciary when the bill was discussed there were only two sides against it. One was the proposition to agree to it because it provides a low percentage for the initiative. The bill is so drawn that 10 per cent of the voters of the state, so distributed as to include 5 per cent of the voters in each of two-fifths of the counties in the state may install a measure.

The same bill as the Hatfield bill, representing the measure supported by the Direct Legislation League, was brought up in the senate by Senator Butler.

The House committee on judiciary has decided to recommend for passage the Potts reinvestment bill, H. R. 4, a measure which will seriously change the financial system of the state.

The reason for the proposed change in policy is given in this section of the bill. "Nebraska trust funds should be placed in safe Nebraska securities, thereby giving employment to labor and capital at home and developing and beautifying our commonwealth, and the Board of Educational Lands and Funds has expressed desire to operate in this end."

Salary Bill is Being Drawn

The biennial salary bill, which pays the salaries of all the employees of the state, is now occupying the attention of the members of the finance ways and means committee, of which Gallagher of Cumine is chairman.

Table with 2 columns: Position and Salary. Includes Auditor General, State Veterinarian, etc.

Salaries May Exceed Million

The total appropriation for salaries made at the last session was \$913,500. The bill now in the hands of the committee for the session may very easily pass the one million mark.

Custer Authorities Arrest Man Accused of Starting Blaze

Sheriff Kennedy Takes William Moore in Charge, Following Bow

BROKEN BOW.—(Special Telegram.)—Sheriff Kennedy, recently of this place, arrived at Custer late this afternoon, charged with burning the Custer county court house on the night of January 11, last year.

Carter Harrison Enters the Race for Mayor of Chicago

States His Platform, Favoring Initiative, Referendum Recall, Subway, Municipal Ownership.

CHICAGO, Jan. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—Carter H. Harrison issued today the platform on which he will run for mayor of Chicago. It contains initiative, referendum, recall, subway and municipal ownership planks.

Southern Pacific Figuring Upon Sale of Bonds in Paris

Fifty Millions of Dollars of Securities of Harriman Road Expected to Be Taken by French Bankers.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—From authoritative sources it is learned that a powerful group of French banks is negotiating to supply the Southern Pacific with \$50,000,000.

Harmon Addresses United Mine Workers

Socialist Members Object to Hearing Governor Because He Called Troops in Strike.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 28.—Governor Harmon today addressed the United Mine Workers of America in convention here. Objections were raised by a few socialist delegates on the ground that Governor Harmon had called out state troops to break the street car strike in this city.

Bernard Sachs Expires While Secretary of Meeting

On the anniversary of his wife's death and almost at the same hour in which she passed away, Bernard Sachs, 65 years old, suddenly died during a meeting of the German alliance at the German home last night.

RECIPROCITY IS TO BE AN ISSUE

Bill Looking to Trade Agreement Between United States and Canada is Introduced.

IN LINE WITH TAFT'S MESSAGE

McCall of Massachusetts Fathers the Movement in House.

WILL LEAD IN PUSHING MEASURE

Proposed Law Goes to Committee on Ways and Means.

CONSIDERATION EXPECTED SOON

First Move of the Committee Will Be to Determine if Any Hearings Will Be Held, When and Who Will Be Called.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—To carry into effect the terms of the reciprocity agreement, concluded by representatives of Canada and the United States last Thursday and which was placed before congress today by President Taft with a special message, urging legislation, the first move was made today when Representative McCall of Massachusetts, a member of the ways and means committee of the house presented the administration bill on the subject.

President Taft indicated today that he was not worrying about the fate of the agreement. In his opinion it is now up to the people of the United States to decide whether they want it or not.

McCall Will Push Measure.—The introduction of the bill by the Massachusetts member, instead of by Mr. Payne of New York, chairman of the ways and means committee, occasioned comment. It is interpreted to indicate that Mr. McCall will take a leading part in engineering its progress on the floor of the house.

The first move of the committee will be to determine if any hearings will be held on the measure. It is the opinion of several members that if certain delegations, representing securities affected by the lowering of tariff rates wish to be heard, an opportunity will be afforded them before final action.

NAVAL BILL IS REPORTED

Committee Would Build Two Battleships at Twelve Million Each. FOURTEEN OTHER BOATS WANTED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Carrying a total of \$125,421,328, the naval appropriation bill was reported to the house today by Chairman Foss of the naval affairs committee.

The bill carries \$5,929,316 less than the current appropriation and \$2,044,821 less than estimates submitted by the Navy department.

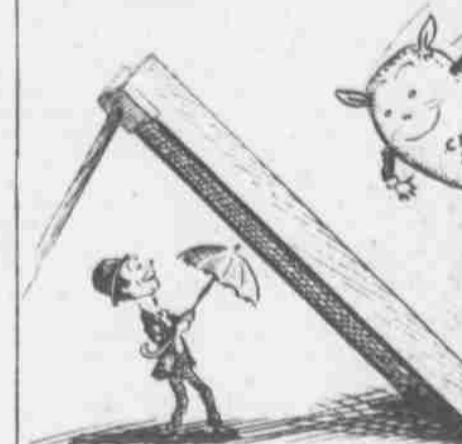
The increase of the naval program calls for an appropriation of \$34,370,815, of which \$15,322,928 for the first year is inserted in the present bill.

Both these ships are directed to be built under the eight-hour law restrictions. The committee recommends repeal of this requirement and also of provision that no more than one of the battleships provided for in last year's naval act shall be built by the same contracting party.

More Rumors of Whereabouts of the Long Missing Heiress

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—Developments in the search for Miss Dorothy Arnold, the missing heiress, included the report of additional letters demanding a ransom for the young woman's return.

Coming and Going in Omaha



Events of the Week, as Viewed by The Bee's Artist.

Aberdeen Asks Square Deal for the Railway Mail Clerks

Commercial Club Points Out to Department Enormous Increases in Traffic to Be Handled.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The Aberdeen Commercial club took a hand in the agitation for a better postal service and a "square deal" for the railway mail clerks today by sending the following telegram to the South Dakota senators and representatives at Washington:

On the lines there is no railway mail clerk, the postmaster simply placing the mail in pouches to be worked when it reaches the main line.

ATTACK AMERICAN CONSULS

Embassy Protests Against Conduct of Turkish Soldiers. VESSEL FLIES AMERICAN FLAG

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 28.—J. Ridgely Carter, who has been placed at the head of the American embassy with the rank of minister plenipotentiary pending the appointment of a successor to Ambassador Straus resigned today, lodged a protest with the porte against the assault and indignities to which the American consular representatives at Beirut and Alexandria were recently subjected.

SPANISH LEGATION DENIES REPORTS ABOUT ALFONSO

It Says Report that Queen Will Leave Palace Was Started by Antidynastic Influences.

SHERIDAN GROWS RAPIDLY

Population of City in Wyoming Increases More Than Five-Fold in Decade.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Population statistics of the thirteenth census announced today include:

Table with 2 columns: City and Population. Includes Sheridan, Wyo., Prescott, Ariz., Fort Gibson, Okla., Rock Springs, Wyo.

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Refuse to Surrender Leader

When the news of the trouble reached Saloniki, the shipping men declared a boycott against the owners of the New Jersey.

Declare Boycott

The authorities acted promptly and placed Kerim Agha, the dictator of the organization under arrest.

Demand for Land Steady

"Another fact demonstrated by this Land show, as well as those recently held in Chicago and St. Louis, is that the demand for good irrigated farm land is a steady and continuing one, which has been little affected by the tightening of the money market last summer and autumn.

BIG LAND SHOW PRAISED BY MANY

Exhibitors from All Sections Tell of the Great Success of the Undertaking.

VISITORS ARE ALL PLEASSED

Tell in No Uncertain Terms of Show's Greatness.

CLOSES WITH HUGE CROWDS

Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben and Boy Scouts Attract Attention.

SHOW FULFILLS ITS MISSION

All Unite in Saying that Many Will Be Attracted to Western Lands Because of the Numerous Exhibits at the Show.

The curtain fell on the first Omaha Land show last night at 11 o'clock. For ten days the opportunities of the west were set forth to thousands of visitors from all sections of the country.

Members of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben attended the show last night. Musical numbers were given by a quartet from the east of the last Ak-Sar-Ben initiatory farce.

The attendance for the closing hours of the show was in keeping with that of the days that had gone before.

Special feature programs were given by the Land show concert band, the Hawaiian singers and Miss Nettie Retter, cornet soloist.

Boasts for the Show.—Jacob H. Gable, traveling agent of the Northwestern railway, who has been at the Land show with the alfalfa exhibit, declares that the show is the greatest thing of the kind ever given in Omaha.

Wilber Walker of Oakland, a booster for the Land show, who lectured daily in the interests of his state, sent the following message last night:

To Oakland Tribune, Oakland, Calif.: Omaha Land show closed tonight—crowded to the doors. California especially, Alameda county particularly, retracted great interest in the features on Alameda county daily. Perfectly satisfied with management. Well and happy. Home next week to God's country.

Shedd is Pleased.—H. G. Shedd of this city, formerly secretary of the Nebraska state commission to the St. Louis exposition and one of the commissioners from Nebraska to the Portland exposition, is enthusiastic over the show.

"I am more than pleased with the results obtained by the Land show held during the last ten days," said Mr. Shedd yesterday. "Realizing a full month ago the strenuous efforts that were being made by The Omaha Bee and The Twentieth Century Farmer in this movement, I felt confident of its success."

Refuse to Surrender Leader.—The local police have arrested some of the soldiers but the captain of the New Jersey refused to surrender the ring leader.

Declare Boycott.—The Saloniki boycott committee today declared a boycott against the steamers of the Mail-Packet-Archipelago line and the boatmen and lighter men attempted to prevent the loading of the company's steamer Olympia.

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